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SUBJECT: GATT PANEL ON EXPORT COST INFLATION  
INSURANCE SCHEMES

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1. INTERESTED DELEGATIONS FINALLY GAVE THEIR CONSENT TO FOLLOWING THREE NAMES FOR COMPOSITION OF SUBJECT PANEL: CHAIRMAN, AMB. KROYER, ICELAND; MEMBERS: VIKTOR SEGALLA, AUSTRIA, AND DAVID GREIG, NEW ZEALAND. WE UNDERSTAND THAT KROYER AND SEGALLA HAVE ACCEPTED TO SERVE ON SUBJECT PANEL, BUT THAT AMBASSADOR FARNON OF NEW ZEALAND, WHEN APPROACHED BY GATT SECRETARIAT CONCERNING AVAILABILITY OF GREIG, FLATLY REFUSED TO HAVE GREIG SERVE. FARNON SAID THAT INCREASED DEMANDS OF MTN ON SMALL DELEGATION SUCH AS NEW ZEALAND MADE IT DIFFICULT TO FREE GREIG FOR PANEL DUTY, BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY FARNON WAS ANGERED OVER DISCUSSION AND CRITICISM OF GATT PANEL

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REPORT ON DISPUTE BETWEEN EC AND CANADA ON ZINC. GREIG WAS A MEMBER OF THIS PANEL AND FARNON BELIEVES THAT IF HONEST EFFORTS OF PANEL MEMBERS AND DISPUTE SETTLEMENT MECHANISM IS CALLED INTO QUESTION AND SUBJECTED TO CRITICISM IN THIS MANNER HE WILL NOT PERMIT MEMBERS OF HIS DELEGATION TO SERVE ON PANELS.

2. GATT SECRETARIAT IS NOW CIRCULATING NAME OF ROD HALL OF AUSTRALIA AS POSSIBLE SUBSTITUTE FOR GREIG ALTHOUGH HALL DOES NOT MEET CRITERIA LAID DOWN BY FRENCH AND UK AT INFORMAL MEETING OF INTERESTED MEMBERS (SEE REFTEL) THAT MAJORITY OF MEMBERS OF PANEL BE MADE UP OF SIGNATORIES TO 1960 UNDERSTANDING ON EXPORT SUBSIDIES. WE HAVE TOLD SECRETARIAT THAT IF UK OR FRANCE REFUSE TO ACCEPT HALL THEY SHOULD SUGGEST APPROPRIATE SUBSTITUTE, AND SECRETARIAT HAS INDICATED ITS WILLINGNESS TO PUT BURDEN OF SUGGESTING ACCEPTABLE CANDIDATE ON UK AND FRANCE.  
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